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It is requested that the documents in Form PTO/SB/08A be fully considered and made of record in this case. An English translation was not readily available for the German document (DE 24 60 448). Only an English abstract of the Japanese document (JP 2001336606) was available and it is included herewith. Copies of the cited non-U.S. patents listed in the Search Report are included herewith.

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